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Re Simpson

Submit the following for Friday the 8th day of October, 1926.

All reporters have changed their eating place to restaurant middle of block from Police Headquarters. There are also only six reporters left at Somerville, and from what I heard there is much disfaction among them owing to what Simpson said. The following conversation took place among them today.

"It is a good thing that Simpson is the only honest man, and his men working for him are crooks as well as us. If we had as much wind as he has we would all blow up; and it is all wind he is putting up. From now on he will get cold shoulder from us. All hot air about secret investigation he has." Some went as far as to call him a "hot air merchant, and he is the whole thing." Underwood went to Jersey City at 2 P.M., as reporters said he was not feeling too good. There was little doing here today, only talking about Simpson's actions. One reporter said: "If it was not for us he would not have gotten so much notoriety." I think the sentiment has changed.

Also they said it was not thru his kindness nor help that Judges Parker and Cleary gave them seats for 10 camera reporters and seats for reporters of each paper during the trials; thanks none to him. It seems he is getting cold feet. Things have changed as reporters and others have not the pep they used to have around and one can see very plainly the difference.

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